Recommendation

The staff recommends that the council approve a request from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System Board of Regents to create three additional local boards of directors—bringing the total number of local boards to 16.

Background

The Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act of 1997 (House Bill 1) permits the board of regents of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to extend local board of directors authority to other postsecondary technical institutions under its control, subject to review and approval by the council. The KCTCS community colleges have had local boards of directors since before the passage of House Bill 1.

The KCTCS has organized its community and technical colleges into 16 college districts (see map on page 39). Thirteen of these districts contain community colleges that have local boards of directors. Three do not. As the attached letter from Dr. Michael McCall, the KCTCS president, indicates, new boards are needed for the college districts comprising Bowling Green Technical College, Northern Kentucky Technical College, and Central Kentucky Technical College. The letter provides further detail about the proposal.

Dr. McCall will be at the meeting to discuss this proposal with council members.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
Dr. Michael B. McCall

Dr. Gordon K. Davies, President Council on Postsecondary Education 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 320 Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Gordon:

At its December 1, 2000, meeting, based on the provisions of House Bill 1 the KCTCS Board of Regents approved creating local boards of directors for the three college districts comprised of Bowling Green Technical College, Central Kentucky Technical College, and Northern Kentucky Technical College, respectively, pending approval by the Council on Postsecondary Education. Thus, I am requesting that the KCTCS Board's creation of boards of directors for the three college districts be submitted to the Council for its approval. These boards of directors are involved in activities such as the selection and evaluation of college chief executive officers, the approval of college budget requests for recommendation to KCTCS, the adoption of annual college operating budgets, and the approval of college strategic plans.

The KCTCS Board took action to create boards of directors for the three college districts as part of its adoption of a 16-college district organizational structure for the System. This organizational structure emerged as a natural outcome from community-driven consolidation efforts across the state. The other 13 districts already have local boards of directors because these districts include community colleges.

The community-driven consolidation efforts, the KCTCS Board's establishment of a 16-college district structure, and the creation of local boards of directors in each of the three districts comprised of a single technical college are significant indicators of progress in the establishment of a truly comprehensive community and technical college system as defined in the *Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act of 1997*.

Thank you for your leadership in postsecondary education, and please let me know if you have questions or need additional information regarding this request.

Sincerely.

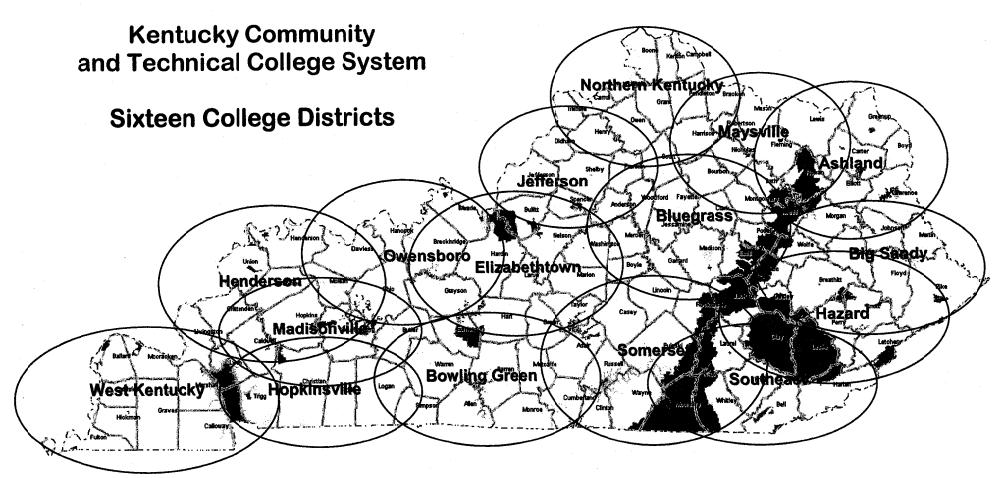
Michael B. McCall, Ed.D.

President

Enclosure: College District Map

c: Ms. Martha C. Johnson, Chair, KCTCS Board of Regents





Ashland
Ashland Community College
Ashland Technical College

Big Sandy Prestonsburg Community College Mayo Technical College

Bluegrass
Central Kentucky Technical College

Bowling Green
Bowling Green Technical College

Elizabethtown
Elizabethtown Community College
Elizabethtown Technical College

Hazard
Hazard Community College
Hazard Technical College

Henderson Community College

Hopkinsville Hopkinsville Community College

Jefferson
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Madisonville
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Maysville Maysville Community College Rowan Technical College

Northern Kentucky Northern Kentucky Technical College

Owensboro
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Somerset Somerset Community College Somerset Technical College Laurel Technical College Southeast Southeast Community College Cumberland Valley Technical College

West Kentucky Paducah Community College West Kentucky Technical College